IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE, ANDHRA PRADESH
AT HYDERABAD

(Special Original Jurisdiction)

THURSDAY, THE TWENTY EIGHTH DAY OF APRIL
TWO THOUSAND AND FIVE

PRESENT

THE HON'BLE MS JUSTICE G.ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO : 10203 of 2005

Between:

Avinash Agarwal @ Pankaj Agarwal S/o. Vithaldas Agarwal,
Ghansi Bazar, Hyderabad-2.

..... PETITIONER

AND

1 The District Collector, Hyderabad.
2 The Executive Magistrate, Hyderabad.

.....RESPONDENTS

Petition under Article 226 of the Constitution of India praying that in the circumstances stated in the affidavit filed herein the High Court may be pleased to issue an appropriate writ, order or direction more in the nature of Writ of Mandamus, declaring the action of the 2nd Respondent in not passing any orders on my application dt. 15-3-2005 for change of my name in spite of complying with the conditions stipulated therefor as being illegal, arbitrary and consequently direct the respondent No.2 to immediately dispose of the said application.

Counsel for the Petitioner:MR.B.PARAMESEWARA RAO

Counsel for the Respondent Nos.1 and 2: GP FOR REVENUE

The Court, at the stage of admission, made the following :

THE HON'BLE MS. JUSTICE G.ROHINI

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ORDER :

This writ petition is filed seeking a declaration that the alleged inaction on the part of the 2nd respondent – Executive Magistrate, Hyderabad in considering the

application of the petitioner dated 15-03-2005 for change of his name is arbitrary and illegal.

The petitioner states that he submitted an application dated 15-03-2005 before the 2nd respondent in the prescribed format and paying the requisite fee and also enclosing all the necessary documents and requesting to change his name as “Hari Krishna Goel”. The only grievance of the petitioner is that the 2nd respondent failed to consider his request and no action has been taken on his application so far. Hence, this writ petition.

The learned Government Pleader for Revenue, under instructions, states that since the representation of the petitioner is pending with the respondents, the same will be considered in accordance with law.

Accordingly, the Writ Petition is disposed of with a direction to the respondents to consider the application of the petitioner dated 15-03-2005 and to pass appropriate orders in accordance with law as expeditiously as possible preferably within a period of four weeks from the date of receipt of this order. No costs.

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28th April, 2005.

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To

1 The District Collector, Hyderabad.
2 The Executive Magistrate, Hyderabad.

3 Two C.Cs to the G.P., for Revenue,High Court Buildings, Hyderabad (OUT).

4 2 CD copies.

5 1 CC to MR.PARAMESEWARA RAO.